

Superintendent's Highlights

This has been an exciting and challenging year in Joint School District #2. A major change initiative is underway with all staff members involved in learning quality principles and tools. A new mission was developed with vision statements, core beliefs, objectives, strategies and key performance indicators.

As we embark on site-based decision making, total curriculum revision, and a program of assessment and intervention, we also provided for over 1,000 new students this past ear and are involved in an expansive construction program. Our test scores continue to be above the state and national averages. Level testing has been implemented this year to provide relevant results to teachers, students and parents.

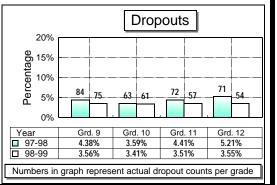
The district is also sponsoring a charter school that will offer technology training and communication skills in an integrated format to 150 freshmen and sophomores.

Joint School District #2 demonstrates an ongoing commitment to provide choice to our parents in an excellent learning environment.

Student Profiles

Ethnicity

Race	Male	Female	Total
White	49.07%	44.88%	93.95%
Black	0.48%	0.33%	0.81%
Hispanic	1.58%	1.41%	2.99%
Nat. Amer.	0.19%	0.16%	0.35%
Asian	0.91%	0.99%	1.90%
Total	52.23%	47.77%	100.00%



Meridian District #002

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District Characteristics 1998-99										
Fall Enrollment 1998-99	Special Education:									
Average Daily Attendance 20,934	Special Education Students 2,269									
State Ranking per ADA	Gifted and Talented Students 1,593									
Number of Schools (sites):	Number of LEP Students**									
Elementary	National School Lunch Program:									
Secondary	Average Daily Participation 8,975									
Number of Schools:	Free and Reduced Meals 2,212									
Approved	Lunch Price - Elementary \$1.10									
Approved with Merit	Lunch Price - Secondary \$1.35									
Approved with Warning	Pupil Transportation Program:									
Not Approved	Average Daily Ridership 1997-98 9,978									
High School Graduates: High School Diplomas-Regular 1,288 Other Completions*										

Progress Towards Meeting District Goals

1998-99 Goals

Progress

Successfully pass a bond and plant facility levy.

The bond and plant facility levies were passed in September 1998 by an overwhelming 82% approval. The planning of two new elementary schools and a middle school is complete. Construction of additions to McMillan and Star elementary schools will be completed this summer. Four of our older elementary schools will have facility improvements.

Revise the district's crisis management plan to include violent acts/hostage situations.

The district crisis manual was totally revised this year. A campus plan was designed and implemented at each building. Training and staff development is being planned in regard to safety and response to emergencies.

Complete the district's vision for education that brings a major change in how we manage, teach and interact with parents, students and the world of work. Implement Quality Training and begin the process of including those principles and practices that emphasize customer satisfaction, systems thinking, leadership and learning, collaboration and community, and a planned approach to change.

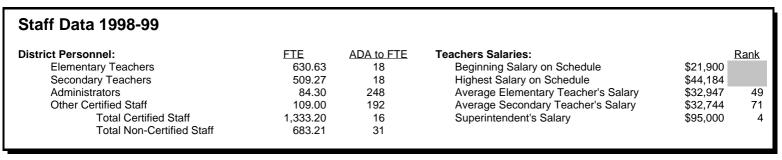
development of a new mission, vision and strategies planning document. Training in quality principles and tools is on-going for all staff members as we head in the direction of site-based decision making. Action teams will begin work this next fall on plans to meet identified objectives.

The district has completed the

Revise/expand the district's Web page.

A revised Web page will be available by July 1999. It has undergone a major overhaul to make it user-friendly and more complete communication tool for our patrons and staff.

						<u>Total</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>ADA</u>	Ra
	M & O Fund	<u>%</u>	All Funds	<u>%</u>	Expenditures:				
Revenues:					M & O Instruction	\$57,648,628	66.49%		
Local Taxes	\$14,157,555	16.02%	\$28,040,055	19.65%	M & O Support Programs	28,448,346	32.81%		
Other Sources	2,134,877	2.42%	36,963,691	25.90%	M & O Other	608,326	0.70%		
State	72,039,205	81.54%	73,927,033	51.80%	Total M & O	\$86,705,300	100.00%	\$4,142	1
Federal	18,061	0.02%	3,797,367	2.66%					
_					Total ALL Funds	\$112,268,865	100.00%	\$5,363	1
Total _	\$88,349,698	100.00%	\$142,728,146	100.00%					
Supplemental Ir	nformation:								
				\$3,760,417	Tax Levies at 9-1-98	Total	Per ADA	Rank	
					Property Market Values	\$4,093,759,614	\$195.553	64	
	ant			. \$695.321	Total General M & O Levies		,	54	
Technology Gra									



Note: Rank represents how this district compares to the other 111 public school districts in the State of Idaho; high to low (1 being the highest).

